

ERPM/ERPDS Punishments/Remedial Actions for Examination Offences

All examination offences are reported to the Council by the Head, Examination unit and a three-member inquiry panel will be appointed with Head Examination being ex officio. The panel would conduct the inquiry and submits recommendations to the council and punishment will be ratified. Registrar SLMC shall inform the accused the decision.

	<u>Examination offence</u>	<u>Punishment/Remedial actions</u>
Examination offences inside the examination hall		
1.	Tampering in any manner, defacing or damaging the Admission Card or other official documents, or official answer sheets.	Current ERPM/ERPDS examination is cancelled, and guilty candidate is debarred from sitting the ERPM/ERPDS examinations for one year. Previously passed Parts if any will remain valid.
2.	Bringing to the examination hall or room any unauthorised document (such as notes or diagrams or formulae) into the examination hall, or having notes written on body parts (eg. palms) or clothes; or having such notes or documents in possession during the examination. (Note: The said notes or documents, or notes written on body parts or clothes need not necessarily be related to the actual questions set by the examiners).	Current ERPM/ERPDS examination is cancelled, and guilty candidate is debarred from sitting the ERPM/ERPDS emanations for two years. Previously passed Parts if any will remain valid.
3	Having in the candidates' possession electronic equipment such as a mobile phone, tablet, note-book or data processing wristwatches in the examination hall or room.	Current ERPM/ERPDS examination is cancelled, and the guilty candidate is debarred from sitting the ERPM/ERPDS examination for two years. Previously passed Parts if any will remain valid.

4.	Copying or attempting to copy from any notes or documents, or from notes written on body parts, or from a book, or from any electronic device, or from another's answer script.	Current ERPM/ERPDS examination is cancelled, and the guilty candidate is debarred from sitting the ERPM/ERPDS examination for two years.
		Previously passed Parts if any will remain valid.
5	Removing or attempting to remove any questions by form of writing on piece of paper, any document, body part or clothes, or processing any questions written by someone else and handed over.	Current ERPM/ERPDS examination is cancelled, and guilty candidate is debarred from sitting the ERPM/ERPDS emanations for one year.
		Previously passed Parts if any will remain valid.
6.	Facilitating or providing opportunity to another candidate or candidates in the examination hall or room to copy by displaying the answer script or any other document, or by sign language, or by spoken word, or by gestures.	Current ERPM/ERPDS examination is cancelled, and the guilty candidate is debarred from sitting the ERPM/ERPDS examination for 2 year.
		Previously passed Parts if any will remain valid.
7.	Impersonating an ERPM candidate in any form whatsoever (eg. changes to N.I.C. or Passport, or the ERPM examination Admission Card), by some other candidate or by a medical officer.	<p>If impersonator is</p> <p>(i) A medical officer, report to the SLMC for further action, with all relevant details in the reporting form.</p> <p>(ii) Another candidate sitting for the ERPM/ERPDS currently or has applied to sit the ERPM/ERPDS, debar him/her from sitting the ERPM/ERPDS for 3 consecutive years and cancel any ERPM/ERPDS parts previously passed.</p>

8.	Allowing himself or herself to be impersonated by another person.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passed components of the current /ERPDS examination, if any, will be cancelled. (ii) Cancel all previously examination results. (iii) Debar guilty candidate from sitting the ERPM/ERPDS for 3 consecutive years.
9.	<p>Disorderly behaviour before entering ERPM examination hall or room, after entering it, or attempting to copy from any notes or documents, or from notes written on body parts, or from a book, or from any electronic device, before commencement of the examination.</p> <p>Disorderly behaviour by disturbing supervisor, invigilators or other candidates.</p> <p>Not carrying out the instruction of the supervisor or invigilators during or immediately before or after the examination.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Severe warning by Supervisor (ii) If disobedient to warning, expel candidate from the examination hall or room. (iii) Cancel current ERPM/ERPDS sitting. (iv) Debar candidate from sitting for 2 years. (v) Previous passe in ERPM/ERPDS remain valid.
10.	Removing examination stationary or any other material provided for the examination out of the examination hall	Written warning by the Registrar for the first instance. Cancellation of the results of the examination for the repetition of the offense
11.	Writing name on answer script	Written warning by the Registrar for the first instance. Cancellation of the results of the examination for the repetition of the offense

Examination offences outside the examination hall		
12.	Obtain or attempt to obtain prior knowledge of examination papers/questions	Current ERPM/ERPDS examination is cancelled, and the guilty candidate is debarred from sitting the ERPM/ERPDS examination for 1 year.
		Previously passed Parts if any will remain valid
13.	Aiding to obtain or attempt to obtain prior knowledge of examination papers/questions	Current ERPM/ERPDS examination is cancelled, and the guilty candidate is debarred from sitting the ERPM/ERPDS examination for 1 year.
		Previously passed Parts if any will remain valid.
14.	Forging signature of any of the official documents related to ERPM examination	Current ERPM/ERPDS examination is cancelled, and the guilty candidate is debarred from sitting the ERPM/ERPDS examination for 1 year.
		Previously passed Parts if any will remain valid.

EXAMINATION OFFENCES CONDUCTED BY ANY PERSON OTHER THAN CANDIDATES

1	Dishonest delivery or communication of examination material or any other information by any person, fraudulently or dishonestly, document or a part, to a person who is not authorized to be delivered such document or communicate such information.
2	Divulging of marks by an examiner or other person entrusted to handle question papers, information related to answer scripts or marks/mark sheets, to any outsider who is not authorized to divulge such information
3	Marking of an answer script fraudulently or dishonestly
4	Alteration by marking of any erasures, interpolations or any other alterations in any answer script, mark sheet fraudulently or dishonestly
5	Dishonest or fraudulent assistance directly or indirectly to a candidate at the examination hall by a supervisor, invigilator, hall attendant or any other staff member. Dishonest and fraudulent erasures, interpolations or any other form of alteration in answer scripts by supervisors, invigilators or any other employee in the examination hall
6	Dishonest or fraudulent secreting or making away with or disposal of such secret documents who is entrusted to type, print, duplicate, packeting by manual or mechanical means any secret document related to examination by any person whose duty is to assist in the aforementioned duties.
7	Dishonest or fraudulent breaking open or destroying of any sealed packets or other receptacles containing any secret documents relating to the examination or taking out any such document or part thereof.
8	Fraudulent introduction, insertion or exchange of another script in place of the original answer script handed by the candidate.
9	Dishonest commission or omission of any act relating to the conduct of an examination which is deemed to be fraudulent or dishonest in nature
10	Abetment, assistance connivance with another person in the commission of one or more of the above offences.
Procedure for disciplinary action	
Disciplinary action shall be taken against those who are alleged to have committed one or more of the above listed offences in the following manner	
1	SLMC employees Action shall be taken in terms of the disciplinary procedure of the SLMC, including action by the police where necessary
2	Other employees Suitable action may be taken by Registrar SLMC depending on the nature of the offences and the circumstances.

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